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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully requests a report as to the status of the above-noted application. This application was filed on September 27, 2006, and accorded a filing date of March 27, 2007 under 35 U.S.C. §371. Applicants checked the online records of the Patent Office on March 11, 2008 and the “First Action Prediction” indicated that it would be nineteen (19) months before a first Office Action issued.

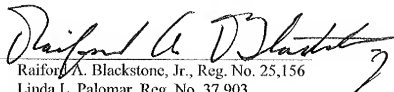
As of the date of this letter, no Office Action has been received and the “First Action Prediction” tab on the Patent Office website for this matter has been deleted. Applicant hereby respectfully requests that the United States Patent Office formally notify the Applicant of when a first Office Action might be mailed and update the online records accordingly.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this inquiry, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned at 312/704-1890.

Respectfully submitted,

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